

SOQ: OPS Sailor takes Abe's 4th quarter SOQ

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weather.

"We're basically flying the aircraft as they come in," Porter explained. "It's real intense."

Porter said he's a firm believer in solving problems at

the lowest level in the chain of command.

"Leaders should lead by example," 31-year-old Porter said. "If there's a problem with a junior Sailor, listen and figure out what the real problem

is."

"I like to give a couple of options and keep things away from the khaki level," he added.

Porter is pursuing a commission as an LDO.

In addition to Porter,

MM1(SW) Troy McLaughlin of Reactor Department became Abe's Junior Sailor of the Quarter and HM Christopher Boyle of Medical Department took Blue Jacket of the Quarter.

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be the true challenge.

"The changeover isn't going to take place until we reach Bremerton and begin our PIA period, and there is no official start and end date yet," said White. "But that doesn't mean we can't start getting ready."

"The new upgraded NMCI Dell computers will have smaller hard

drives, which will be locked out, so only the Windows 2000 system can write to the "C" drive," White continued.

"Each user will be allocated 50MB for the storage of e-mail, in comparison to the 30MB you have now, and 200MB of general storage on LAN servers, compared to the now unlimited general storage access

and access to your hard drive. This will be a major change to the way we do business.

"So start now. Be the first on your block to save your personal files to zip disks, along with your archived e-mail messages, address book and contacts," said White.

"And if you need any help, just ask your ISSO for assistance."

Conduct: Standards for Abe Sailors ashore are simple

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Remember we're in uniform 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week. It doesn't matter if you're in civilian clothes, or where you are, whether it's on ship or shore, we expect each other to act and behave like professional warriors.

The leadership has to do what they must, and if you're the senior person around when a situation arises, I expect you to take charge.

Even if it's between a seaman recruit and a seaman apprentice, I expect the seaman apprentice to take charge, and make sure the right things are being done, no matter what the situation.

With personal tours of the ship, you're allowed to bring up to four people on board with you. However, you must be in the uniform of the day. If you bring them aboard and you're in civilian clothes, you can leave your guests in what I call the "bull pen" area, change into the uniform of the day, which will be dress whites or summer whites, and then commence your tour.

The same goes before you leave. If you have to change, just leave guests in the "bull pen" and pick them up again before you depart.

We'll also be distributing information cards to all hands with important emergency phone numbers in case the need arises. The number 0-0-0 is like our 9-1-1. It's Australia's emergency number.

The age of consent in Australia is 17, so be careful in case you get into any romantic encounters. A lot of those who go out to the clubs are under that age, so please be

aware of this.

The renting of personal vehicles is prohibited. There are plenty of public transportation services, so make use of them as much as necessary.

Australian ports are very well known for their hospitality. Please do nothing while we're here that could jeopardize your liberty. Everybody should have a great time.

Make sure you're careful, use common sense, take care of yourselves and your shipmates, and I'll see you on the beach!

Spotlight Sailor

Hometown: Amarillo, Tex.

Reason for joining Navy:

"Help support my daughter and get out of Amarillo."

Time on board: 6 months

Enjoys most about job:

"The experience and working with people."

Hobbies: "Rock climbing, books and music."

Looking forward to: "Walking in my bare feet."

Outlook: "It's a whole world out there."



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